

READING ...

A. Look at the pictures. Where are these places?

Having fun for free!



Hi, my name is Brian Burns, and I'm from Australia. I live in Sydney. It's a great place to visit: great beaches, great weather, and great for outdoor sports. There are also clubs and restaurants, movie theaters, and a lot of free entertainment in the streets and in the parks.

On summer weekends, I usually spend a lot of time on the beach. Manly is my favorite. I sometimes go to the parks, too. Sydney parks are wonderful. There are often free music shows there, especially in January during the Sydney Festival. In October, there's an international jazz festival, and there are free outdoor jazz concerts everywhere.



Hello, my name is Sarah Chan and I live in Vancouver, Canada - the greatest city in the world! Vancouver has everything. In the spring, you can ski in the mountains and swim in the Pacific Ocean - on the same day! Really! And Vancouver is a great place to walk. We have some terrific outdoor markets. They're a nice place to spend a Saturday afternoon.

And then there is Stanley Park - it's totally amazing! It's a huge park - about 4 square kilometers - but it's not far from downtown. There are beautiful trees and wildlife. You can spend days there. And it's free.

C. Read the article again. Then, answer the questions.

1. Is Manly the name of a beach or a park?
2. When is the Sydney Festival?
3. What can you do in Vancouver in the spring?
4. How far is Stanley Park from the city?